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Product Overview

The LPB

The LPB is a universal precast concrete light pole foundation that offers several distinct advantages over other precast pole foundations as well as cast-in-place concrete foundations.

Adjustable Anchoring System

The Anchoring System, which is embedded into the top of the LPB, utilizes four ¾-inch diameter threaded rods and can accommodate bolt circle diameters as small as 7-½-inches and as large as 13-½-inches. This allows for the installation of a variety pole sizes and shapes, sure to fit most commercial light pole base plate configurations.

Large Side Openings and Central Pathway

The LPB contains four large side openings that lead to a central vertical pathway sleeve. The size and location of the openings along with the pathway sleeve allow for flexibility and ease of electrical conduit installation from multiple directions.



In Stock and Available

Because the LPB has a standard size and configuration, designed to accommodate a variety of pole sizes and shapes, it can be produced in advance without knowing the specifics of the project. This reduces product lead times and allows for flexibility if project requirements change.

Installation Efficiency

The LPB is cured and ready for installation when it arrives to the jobsite. Light poles can be installed within hours, rather than days, once the base has been set and backfilled. Less coordination between the installer and electrician is required and onsite construction effort has been minimized since the LPB does not require any formwork or tying of rebar in the field.

Quality

Because the LPB is produced by trained personnel in a controlled environment, a high-quality product can be maintained. Mix designs are documented and quality assurance programs are followed, resulting in a predictable and consistent product.

Design Approach

Overview

The design of a LPB is completed by analyzing two distinct portions of the foundation. The first is the Anchoring System that is embedded into the top of the foundation and the second is the concrete foundation itself. The Anchoring System within the LPB consists of four slots, created by plastic inserts, each containing an anchoring nut that is located approximately 4-½-inches below the top concrete surface. The procedures below outline the steps taken to complete the analysis of the Anchoring System and the concrete foundation.

Anchoring System Analysis

<u>Step 1A</u>

The first step in the analysis of the Anchoring System is to establish the dimensional parameters for the pole and the luminaires that will be attached to the top of the foundation. For the pole this includes the height, shape (round or square) and width or diameter. For the luminaires, this includes the Effective Projected Area (EPA), if known, or the contact/surface area and shape (flat or rounded sides) if the EPA is unknown.

<u>Step 2A</u>

The second step in the process is to calculate the maximum wind pressures that will be acting on the pole and luminaires. The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) publication: LRFD Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires, and Traffic Signals, First Edition, 2015 (LRFDLTS-1) outlines the process for determining the maximum wind pressure acting on the pole and luminaires. The wind pressure is calculated using a basic wind speed, a wind exposure category and several other calculated coefficients/factors. Additional information regarding the calculation of wind pressure can be found in Chapter 3 of the AASHTO manual referenced above.

It is important to understand, that the Basic Wind Speed chosen as part of this step is based upon a Mean Recurrence Interval, Risk Category and location which must be established by the Designer. Determining the Basic Wind Speed is a critical step as it will greatly affect the amount of load transferred to the LPB Anchoring System. Additionally, the AASHTO LRFDLTS-1 considers wind to be an extreme event with a Load Factor of 1.0. Therefore, the wind pressures calculated as part of this step will not be increased further in subsequent steps.

<u>Step 3A</u>

The third step consists of calculating the base reactions, or moment and shear at the base of the pole. This is competed by multiplying the effective area of the pole and the luminaires by the respective wind pressures that were determined in Step 2A. Additionally, since this is an LRFD design, the total moment and shear are multiplied by a Load Factor. As mentioned above, since wind is considered an Extreme Load, the Load Factor is 1.0 according to AASHTO Table 3.4-1.

<u>Step 4A</u>

Once the base reactions have been determined the tension in the individual bolts can be calculated. At this point in the process, a bolt circle diameter will need to be chosen. The LPB allows for bolt circle diameters ranging from 7-½-inches up to 13-½-inches. Each bolt circle consists of four (4) ¾-inch diameter threaded rods that are attached to the anchoring nuts within the inserts. The bolt circle diameter has a direct effect on the resulting bolt tension which is then transferred to the anchoring nut. Choosing a bolt circle diameter is a critical step and may be iterative as several diameters may need to be examined in order to satisfy the requirements of subsequent Steps. The bolt circle diameter is limited to no more or less than four (4) bolts and it is also important to keep in mind that the bolt circle diameter may be a set value based upon the proposed light pole that will be installed. In this case, refer to the light pole manufacturer for additional information.

The Total Tensile Load within a given bolt is based upon the following:

- Moment at the base of the pole
- The centroid distance to each bolt
- The moment of inertia of the bolt group
- And the stress area of the bolts

The example and Figure 1 below illustrate the calculation process for determining the tension in the bolts.



For additional information regarding the procedure outlined above, refer to the National Cooperative Highway Research Program document NCHRP Report 412.

<u>Step 5A</u>

The next step in the analysis process is to check the adequacy of the Anchoring System. Given the proprietary use of the inserts and anchoring nuts, load testing of the Anchoring System was completed in order to determine the nominal tensile capacity. A full write-up of the testing completed is contained in Appendix A.

In total, 12 tests were completed at three different bolt circle diameters; 14-inches, 10-inches, and 7-½inches. In each test, the anchor was loaded to 18,500 pounds which was a predetermined value based upon the actual anticipated loads. In all 12 tests, the Anchoring System held the applied load without failure. Based upon these results, LPB recommends using 18,500 pounds as the nominal tensile capacity of an individual anchor bolt within the Anchoring System.

According to the Chapter 5 Section 5.16.3 of the AASHTO LRFDLTS-1 manual, resistance factors for concrete anchorages shall be as specified in ACI 318-11, Appendix D. Section D.4.3 of ACI 318-11 specifies that for anchors governed by concrete breakout, side-face blow-out, pullout, or pryout (which is typically how the LPB Anchoring System performed) a reduction factor of 0.7 should be used for tension loads.

Step 5A within the analysis process compares the nominal tensile capacity, with reduction factor, to the applied load that was calculated in Step 4A. If the applied load exceeds the reduced nominal capacity, a different pole and bolt circle configuration will be required to reduce the applied load.

<u>Step 6A</u>

According to the AASHTO LRFDLTS-1 manual and National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 469, anchor rods subject to more than 20,000 repeated applications of significant axial tension shall be checked for the fatigue limit state. This step begins the process of analyzing the system for fatigue loading. In Step 2A, the wind pressure that was calculated is considered the ultimate design load. In addition to analyzing for this load condition, fatigue must be considered using a lower wind pressure.

Step 6A consists of determining the resulting bolt stress based upon the pressure generated from Natural Wind Gusts. The Natural Wind Gust pressure is calculated using the Yearly Mean Wind Velocity, the drag coefficients for the pole and luminaires, and an Importance Factor, which is based upon a Fatigue Category. The equation for determining the Natural Wind Gust is based upon a Yearly Mean Wind Velocity of 11.2 miles per hour. If an alternate velocity is known, it may be used accordingly. For more information on the selection of the Fatigue Category, and resulting Importance Factor, refer to Section 11.6 of the AASHTO LRFDLTS-1.

For the purposes of this analysis process, truck-induced gusts and galloping have been ignored given the anticipated installation locations and pole/luminaires configurations to be used with the LPB. If either of these loading conditions are anticipated, given the actual site conditions, further analysis is recommended.

<u>Step 7A</u>

The final step in the Anchoring System analysis process is to check the anchor rods with respect to the fatigue bolt stress that was calculated in Step 6A. The NCHRP Report 469 defines the stress range as the magnitude of the change in nominal stress due to the application or removal of the unfactored live load. The S-N curve for galvanized non-pretensioned anchor rods corresponds to detail Category E', however the fatigue threshold is much greater than other Category E' details. Therefore, in the case of anchor rods a threshold of 7000 psi is recommended per the NCHRP report. This is the value that is compared to the stress that was calculated in Step 6A. The NCHRP report states that no further evaluation of fatigue resistance is required if the stress in the anchor rod remains below the threshold stress range. However, LPB recommends that an additional check be completed. The additional check compares the combined fatigue tension and ultimate design tension to the reduced nominal capacity of the Anchoring System. This check is not prescribed in any Code or industry document but is merely a recommendation and may be used at the Designer's discretion.

It is worth noting that the NCHRP Report 469 states: "In steel-to-concrete joints subject to fatigue, the anchor rod will fail before the concrete fatigue strength is reached. Therefore, it is not necessary to consider the fatigue strength of the concrete." Based upon this statement, no additional fatigue analysis of the concrete Anchoring System has been completed.

Finally, it is possible to meet the requirements of Step 5A, based upon the chosen bolt circle diameter, but not meet the requirements of Step 7A. If this is the case, a larger bolt circle diameter will need to be used in Step 4A, if possible, and then the rest of the process re-analyzed.

Foundation Analysis

<u>Step 1B</u>

The first step in the foundation analysis is to establish the dimensional parameters for the foundation. This includes the total foundation length, the above grade length, shape, and diameter or width. The LPB has a minimum total length of 4-feet and a maximum of 10-feet. The foundation is generally produced in even 1-foot increments and the amount of above grade length may vary depending on analysis and project requirements Finally, the standard shape for the LPB is round with an above and below grade diameter of 24-inches. If foundation dimensions outside of the typical parameters stated are needed to meet the project requirements, contact LPB and/or the producer to discuss possible options.

It should be noted that determination of the total length and above grade length may become an iterative process based upon remaining analysis that is completed.

<u>Step 2B</u>

The next step is to establish the parameters for the soils in which the foundation will be buried. The first parameter, which is critical to the analysis process, is to determine if the soils are cohesive or cohesionless. The primary difference between these soils types is in how the shear strength of the soil is determined. For cohesive soils, the shear strength is based upon cohesion or the attraction forces between the soil particles. For cohesionless soils, the shear strength depends on the internal friction angle of the soil particles. Cohesive soils are typically fine-grained soils such as clays and silts where as cohesionless soils are generally sands and gravels.

After the soil type has been defined, internal friction angle, soil unit weight, and cohesion will also need to be established. Most often these values will be obtained from a Geotechnical Report if one has been prepared for the project. If a report is not available, it is recommended that a geotechnical engineer be consulted to aid in the determination of the specific soil parameters.

<u>Step 3B</u>

Once the foundation and soil parameters have been established, the ground line reactions can be calculated. The total unfactored moment and shear, at the base of the foundation, are determined using surface area of the foundation, pole and luminaire multiplied by a wind pressure that is specific to each component. The wind pressures are determined in the same manner as outlined in Step 2A of the Anchoring System Analysis and in accordance with AASHTO LRFDLTS-1.

Once the unfactored moment and shear at the base have been calculated, a factor of safety is applied to each value. It is at this point where LPB's analysis procedure varies from that which is outlined in AASHTO LRFDLTS-1. In the commentary portion of Section 13.6.1.1 (C13.6.1.1), equations are given to determine the required embedment based upon an analysis method developed by Broms (1964a and 1964b). The equations are based upon the ultimate load of the soils and utilize a factored moment and shear at the groundline. The commentary, however, does not clearly state the factor that should be applied to the shear and moment. Previous versions of the AASHTO manual, using an Allowable Stress Design (ASD), show the same procedure for calculating the required embedment depth but clearly state the factors that should be applied to the moment and shear. In AASHTO LTS-6, the commentary references a paper written by Broms where he suggests using an undercapacity factor of 0.7 and an overload factor of 2 to 3. The value for the factor of safety is then determined by dividing the overload factor by the undercapacity factor. Based upon this information, it is LPB's recommendation, that this type of factor of safety should be used when utilizing Broms' approach. The inclusion of this factor can be seen in the analysis process and example calculation.

<u>Step 4B</u>

At this point, the required foundation embedment is determined based upon the soil type and the factored shear and moment. The equations used in the calculation process are shown in the example and follow the method developed by Broms. It is possible that this step may become iterative as additional length is added to the overall foundation or the amount of above grade foundation is reduced to achieve the required embedment. If the required embedment cannot be achieved, based upon the dimensional parameters outlined in Step 1B, then an alternate pole and luminaire configuration may be required.

<u>Step 5B</u>

This step determines the ultimate moment in the foundation shaft for the purposes of checking the reinforcing in the foundation. The equations used for calculating the maximum moment are based upon Broms' approach except that Broms' recommendation for the factor of safety has been removed. Instead, an AASHTO LRFD load factor has been applied. The reason for the difference is that the reinforcing check that is completed in the next step utilizes an LRFD approach and the maximum moment needs to be factored accordingly.

<u>Step 6B</u>

The typical LPB is produced using minimum 5,000 psi concrete and is reinforced with four (4) #6 vertical bars and #3 stirrups spaced at approximately 12-inches on center. Step 6B checks to see if this typical reinforcing is adequate to resist the applied moment in the shaft of the foundation. The check is completed at two locations. The first location is the solid portion of the foundation and the second is at the knockout portion of the foundation where the universal pathway openings are located. In the first location, the entire cross section of concrete is used as well as all four vertical bars. At the second location, the section is treated as a 6-inch wide by 24-inch deep beam with a single #6 bar. LPB has found that in general, the typical reinforcing (noted above) will be adequate and the previous steps in the analysis will generally control in the design.

Design Example

The following Design Example has been prepared to show the analysis process that has been described above. It is important to understand that this example may not depict the Designer's actual site and project conditions. Understanding all of the input parameters and using them accordingly is critical to the analysis process. For additional information or to receive a copy of the analysis tool used to generate this example, please contact LPB.



Pole Base Reactions

Are pole base reactions known?

(Proceed to Step 1A)

Step 1A - Pole and Luminaire Input Parameters



Step 2A - Determine Wind Pressures

Reference: AASHTO LRFD Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires, and Traffic Signals, First Edition as well as applicable portions of ASCE 7-10

No

Wind Pressure = $P_z = 0.00256 \cdot K_z \cdot K_d \cdot G \cdot V^2 \cdot C_d$



Total Moment at Base, $M_u = 1500$ ft² Total Shear at Base, $V_u = 592$ lb (AASHTO Section 3.8.1)

(AASHTO Section 3.8.2)

(AASHTO Section 3.8.4) (AASHTO Section 3.8.5) (AASHTO Section 3.8.6) (AASHTO Section 3.8.7) (AASHTO Section 3.8.7)

(Values shown are calculated based upon the input parameters and include LRFD factors per AASHTO Table 3.4-1. These values will be used in subsequent steps)



Step 4A - Determine Tensile Load

Bolt Circle Diameter =	10	1,
Number of Bolts =	4	
Bolt Diameter =	3/4	in
Bolt Stress Area =	0.334	in ²
c =	3,54	ín
IBolt Group =	16.70	in ⁴
Bolt Stress, S _u =	28020	lb/in ²
Total Tensile Load, T _u =	9359	lb

(Centroid distance to each bolt) (Moment of inertia of bolt group) (Bolt Stress = $M_u \cdot c / 1$)

Step 5A - Determine Bolt and Anchoring System Adequacy

Nominal Tensile Capacity, $T_n =$ Strength Reduction Factor, $\phi =$

18500 lb 0.70 (Based upon testing - See App. A) (ACI 318 - App. D Section D.4.3)

	Applied Load T _u (lb)	Allowable Load ϕT_n (lb)	Result	
Adequacy Check	9359	12950	OK	



Step 6A - Fatigue Analysis - Natural Wind Gust Pressure, Pole Base Reactions and Bolt Stress

Note: Fatigue analysis is based upon input parameters from Steps 2A and 5A. If pole base reactions were manually entered, ensure that the information in Steps 2A and 5A are correct before checking fatigue.

Wind Pressure due to Natural Wind Gusts = $P_{NW} = 5.2 \cdot C_d \cdot (V_{mean}/11.2)^2 \cdot I_F$



(AASHTO Section 11.7.1.2)

(Yearly mean wind velocity) (AASHTO Section 3.8.7) (AASHTO Section 3.8.7) (AASHTO Section 11.6) (AASHTO Table 11.6-1)

(From Step 3A) (From Step 3A)

(Similar to calc in Step 5A above using M_F - Bolt Stress = $M \cdot c / I$)

Step 7A - Anchor Bolt Adequacy with Fatigue Loading

	Applied Maximum Stress Range (lb/in ²)	Threshold Stress Range (Ib/in ²)	Result	
Adequacy Check	2845	7000	OK	

Combined Fatigue and Ultimate Tension $T_{\rm F}$ + $T_{\rm u}$ (lb)		Allowable Load φT _n (lb)	Result
k	950 + 9359 = 10309	12950	OK

Additional Check

(Note: The additional check shown above is not prescribed in any Code or industry document. It is ReCon's recommendation that the combined fatigue tension and ultimate design tension remain below the reduced nominal capacity of the anchoring system. This additional check is merely a recommendation and may be used at the Designer's discretion.)



References and Tables

Wind Exposure Categories (ASCE 07)

В	Urban and suburban areas, wooded areas, or other terrain with numerous closely spaced obstructions having the size of a single-family dwelling or larger, prevailing for a distance greater than 1500 feet in any direction from the installation
c	Open terrain with scattered obstructions having heights generally less than 30 feet. (Commonly associated with flat open areas and areas not meeting the requirements of Categories B or D)
D	Areas located a close distance (typically within 600 feet) from an "open waterway" one mile or more across. This category is readily distinguishable, where the locally enforced Code very likely has this listed in the requirements.

Height and Exposure Factor, K₂

Exposure Category	α	Zg
В	7	1200
С	9.5	900
D	11.5	700

From	Inputs:
α=	9.5
Z _g =	900

Directionality Factor, K_d

Support Type/Pole	Factor
Round	0.95
Square	0.90

Drag Coefficients, C_d (Extreme Limit State C_v = 0.8)

Luminaire Shape	Coefficient	
Rounded	0.50	
Flat Sides	1.20	

Pole Shape	Coefficient		
	C _v Vd ≤ 39 mph ft	39 mph·ft < C_vVd < 78 mph·ft	$C_v Vd \ge 78 \text{ mph-ft}$
Round	1.10	129 / (C _v Vd) ^{1,3}	0.45
	,1.10	1.00	
1000	2.0 - 6r, [for r,	< 0.125]	0.75
Square	1.25 [for r _s ≥	0.125]	8/5



References and Tables

Luminaire Shape	Coefficient	
Rounded	0.50	
Flat Sides	1.20	
Pole Shane	Coefficient	
Fole Shape	$C Vd \leq 39 mpb ft$	

Drag Coefficients, C_d (Non-Extreme Limit State C_v = 1.0)

Pole Shape	Coeffic	ient
	C _v Vd ≤ 39 mph ft	
Round	1.10	0
Autor	2.0 - 6rs [for r _s < 0.125]	1.075
Square	1.25 [for r _s ≥ 0.125]	1.875

Fatigue Importance Factors, I_F

Falleria Catalana	Fatigue Importance Factor
Fatigue Category	Natural Wind Gusts
Category I	1.00
Category II	0.80
Category III	0.55

Note: Importance factors shown are from AASHTO Table 11.6-1 for noncantilevered traffic signals.

Notes Regarding Fatigue

According to Chapter 4 of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 469, anchor rods subject to more than 20,000 repeated applications of significant axial tension shall be checked for the fatigue limit state. The stress range is defined as the magnitude of the change in nominal stress due to the application or removal of the unfacotred live load (4.6). The S-N curve for galvanized non-pretensioned anchor rods corresponds to detail Category E', however the fatigue threshold is much greater than other Category E' details. In the case of anchor rods a threshold of 7000 psi should be used (4.6 and C-4.6). No further evaluation of fatigue resistance is required if the stress in the anchor rod remains below the threshold stress range (4.6). Finally, in steel-to-concrete joints subject to fatigue, the anchor rod will fail before the concrete fatigue strength is reached. Therefore, it is not necessary to consider the fatigue strength of the concrete (C-4.6).



Foundation Analysis

Step 1B - Input Foundation Dimensions

Total Foundation Length =	8	ft
Above Grade Foundation Length =	2.9	ft
Above Grade Foundation Shape	Round	
Above Grade Foundation Diameter =	24	in
Below Grade Foundation Diameter =	24	in

Step 2B - Input Soil Parameters

Soil Type	Cohesionless	
Internal Angle of Friction, $\phi =$	30	deg
Soil Unit Weight, γ =	120	pcf
Cohesion, c =	0	psf

Step 3B - Determine Ground Line Reactions

Section	Wind Pressure P _z (psf)	Surface Area A (sf)	Force (P _z · A) (lb)	Moment Arm (ft)	Moment (ft ·lb)
Foundation	11.8	5.8	68.3	1.45	99.0
Pole	29.9	15.0	448.5	17.9	8028.1
Luminaire	35.8	4.0	143.4	33	4717.8
			660.2		12845.0

ft-lb

lb

Undercapacity Factor =	0,7
Overload Factor =	2.0
Factor of Safety =	2.9

 $M_F =$

 $V_F =$

36700.0

1886.3

(AASHTO (LTS-6) Section C13.6.1.1) (AASHTO (LTS-6) Section C13.6.1.1) (Overload/Undercapacity - Broms 1965)

(Σ Moment · FoS) (Σ Force · FoS)

Step 4B - Determine Required Foundation Embedment

Cohesionless Soils (C13.6.1.1-5)

$$L^3 - \frac{2V_FL}{K_p\gamma D} - \frac{2M_F}{K_p\gamma D} = 0$$

$$K_{\rm p} = tan^2(45 + \frac{\phi}{2})$$
 $K_{\rm p} = 3.00$

Cohesive Soils (C13.6.1.1-1) $L = 1.5D + q \left(1 + \sqrt{2 + \frac{4H + 6D}{q}}\right)$ $H = \frac{M_F}{V_F} \quad \text{H} = 19.5 \qquad q = \frac{V_F}{9cD} \quad \text{q} = \text{na}$

ndation Analysis			A DIVISION C
d Embed in Cohesionless Soils, L =	5,0	ft	ОК
ep 5B - Determine Ultimate Mom	ent in Found	dation Sh	aft for Reinforcing Check
Max Applied Moment, M _{max} =	12845.0	ft·lb	H = 19.5
Max Applied Shear, V _{max} =	660.2	lb	q = na
			K _p = 3.00
Cohesionless Soils (C13.6.1.	1-7)		K _p = 3.00 Cohesive Soils (C13.6.1.1-4)
Cohesionless Soils (C13.6.1.: $M_u = V_{max} \left(H + 0.54 \sqrt{rac{V_{char}}{\gamma I}} \right)$	$\frac{1-7}{\frac{max}{DK_p}}$	-	$K_p = 3.00$ <i>Cohesive Soils (C13.6.1.1-4)</i> $M_u = V_{max}(H + 1.5D + 0.5q)$
Cohesionless Soils (C13.6.1.) $M_u = V_{max} \left(H + 0.54 \sqrt{\frac{V_{raw}}{\gamma H}} \right)$ $Location = 0.82 \sqrt{\frac{V_{raw}}{\gamma D}}$	$\left(\frac{1-7}{DK_p}\right)$	-	$K_{p} = 3.00$ $Cohesive Soils (C13.6.1.1-4)$ $M_{u} = V_{max} (H + 1.5D + 0.5q)$ $Location = 1.5D + q$
Cohesionless Soils (C13.6.1.) $M_u = V_{max} \left(H + 0.54 \sqrt{\frac{V_{ru}}{\gamma L}} \right)$ $Location = 0.82 \sqrt{\frac{V_{ru}}{\gamma DL}}$ Max Moment in Shaft, M _u =	$\frac{1-7}{DK_p}$	ft·lb	$K_{p} = 3.00$ Cohesive Soils (C13.6.1.1-4) $M_{u} = V_{max}(H + 1.5D + 0.5q)$ Location = 1.5D + q Based upon the equations for Cohesionless coils

Concrete Strength, f' _c =	5000	psi
Reinforcing Yield Strength, fy =	60000	psi
Concrete Unit Weight =	145	pcf
Reduction Factor, $\phi =$	0,9	

Check Within the Soild Portion of the Foundation Shaft:

Gross Area of Total Section, A _g =	452.4	in ²
Dist between Bar Centers, z =	16.5	in
Area Steel Provided, A _{sg} =	1.77	in ²

$$\rho_{reg} = \left\lfloor 1 - \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{2 \cdot M_u}{\psi \cdot A_g \cdot z \cdot 0.85 f_c'}} \right) \right\rfloor \cdot \frac{0.85 f_c'}{f_y} \ge 0.0033$$

OK

 $\rho_{reg} = 0.00330$

 $\rho_{prov} = A_{sg} / A_g = 0.00391$

Bar Cover = <u>3</u>in Bar Size = <u>6</u> Number of Bars = <u>4</u> Stirrup Size = <u>3</u>

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Foundation Analysis

Step 6B - Check Reinforcing in Foundation Shaft (Continued)

Check Within the Knockout Portion of the Foundation Shaft - Treat as 24" Deep by 6" Wide Beam:

Beam Width, b =	6	in
Dist Outer Edge to Bar Center, d =	20.3	in
Beam Area (b·d), $A_b =$	121.5	in ²
Area Steel Provided, A _{sb} =	0.44	in ²
$p_{req} = \left[1 - \left(\sqrt{1 - rac{2 \cdot M_u}{\phi \cdot b d^2 \cdot 0}}\right)\right]$	$\left[\frac{1}{85f'_c}\right]$.	$\frac{85f_c'}{f_y} \ge 0.0033$
ρ _{req} = 0.00330		
$\rho_{prov} = A_{sb} / A_b = 0.00364$	OK	

Design Tables

Overview and Assumptions

The LPB Design Tables have been prepared to demonstrate the capabilities of the foundation system with a variety of pole and fixture size scenarios. The tables have been prepared using a number of assumptions listed below. It is important to read and understand all of these assumptions. The tables have been prepared by ReCon Wall Systems, Inc. and to the best of ReCon's knowledge accurately represent the product use in the intended application. Anyone making use of these tables does so at their own risk and assumes all liability for such use. Final design, for construction purposes, must be completed by a Professional Engineer who is familiar with the project and has considered the specific site conditions.

The tables have been prepared in general accordance, as described in the Design Approach section of this manual, with the requirements found in the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) publications: LRFD Specifications for Structural Supports for Highway Signs, Luminaires, and Traffic Signals, First Edition, 2015 (LRFDLTS-1)

Tables Included:

- 4-inch Diameter Round Poles
- 6-inch Diameter Round Poles
- 8-inch Diameter Round Poles
- 4-inch Wide Square Poles
- 6-inch Wide Square Poles

General:

- The LPB is produced with an embedded anchoring system that consists of four slots, created by
 plastic inserts, each containing an anchoring nut that is located approximately 4-½-inches below
 the top concrete surface. Each anchoring nut receives one (1) ¾-inch diameter threaded anchor
 rod that projects from the top of the foundation. The anchor rod is secured in place using a single
 nut and a 3-inch by 3-inch bearing washer. The capacity of the anchoring system was determined
 through load testing completed by Braun Intertec. Refer to Appendix A for additional information
 regarding the testing completed.
- For the purposes of the Design Tables, the LPB is assumed to be round, 24-inches in diameter, with a total height of 8-feet (maximum of 3-feet exposed above grade). A 6-foot foundation may be used in lieu of the 8-foot foundation shown in the tables provided the minimum bury depth does not exceed 6-feet.
- For round-tapered and square-tapered light poles, the average diameter or width should be used to determine minimum bolt circle diameter and embedment depth within the tables.
- The tables assume a double light fixture with a total wind surface area equal to that shown. Single light fixtures, creating an unbalanced load condition, are not covered within the Design Tables.
- The weight of the fixtures, pole, and foundation are neglected as resisting forces in the calculation process.

Wind Loading Assumptions:

- The basic wind speed V: per AASHTO Section 3.8.2. V = 105 miles per hour; Risk Category: Low; Mean Recurrence Interval: 300 Years
- Wind Exposure Category: C
- Height and Exposure Factor K_z : per AASHTO Section 3.8.4. For poles and fixtures this value is calculated for Exposure C and the actual height of the pole. For the pole foundation, $K_z = 0.86$.
- Directionality Factor K_d : per AASHTO Section 3.8.5. K_d = 0.95 for round poles and 0.90 for square poles.
- Gust Effect Factor *G*: per AASHTO Section 3.8.6. *G* = 1.14
- Drag Coefficients *C*_d: per AASHTO Section 3.8.7
 - $C_v = 0.8$ for Extreme Limit Case
 - Light Fixture, $C_d = 1.2$ (flat side shapes)
 - Round Light Poles, $C_d = 1.10$ (4-inch dia.); $C_d = 0.75$ (6-inch dia.); $C_d = 0.52$ (8-inch dia.)
 - Square Light Poles, $C_d = 1.81$ (4-inch wide); $C_d = 1.875$ (6-inch wide)
- Load Combinations and Load Factors: per AASHTO Section 3.4 and Table 3.4-1. For Extreme I the Load Factor for wind is 1.0.

Fatigue Analysis Assumptions (used for determining minimum bolt circle diameter only):

- Yearly Mean Wind Velocity V_{mean}: per AASHTO Section C11.7.1.2. V_{mean} = 11.2 miles per hour
- Drag Coefficients *C_d*: per AASHTO Section 3.8.7
 - $C_v = 1.0$ for Non-Extreme Limit Case
 - Light Fixture, $C_d = 1.2$ (flat side shapes)
 - Round Light Poles, $C_d = 1.10$
 - Square Light Poles, $C_d = 1.81$ (4-inch wide); $C_d = 1.875$ (6-inch wide)
- Fatigue Importance Factor I_F: per AASHTO Section 11.6 and Table 11.6-1. I_F = 0.55 for noncantilevered traffic signals; Category III
- Fatigue loading check per AASHTO LRFDLTS-1 and NCHRP Report 496. Refer to the Design approach section of this report for additional information.

Foundation Analysis Assumptions:

- Foundation analysis per AASHTO Section 13.6.1.1
- Minimum Bury in Cohesionless Soils per AASHTO Equation C13.6.1.1-5
- Minimum Bury in Cohesive Soils per AASHTO Equation C13.6.1.1-1
- Overload Factor = 2.0 per AASHTO (LTS-6) Section C13.6.1.1
- Under Capacity Factor = 0.7 per AASHTO (LTS-6) Section C13.6.1.1

How to use the LPB Design Tables





Determining Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter and Embedment (8-foot LPB with 3-feet Exposed)

			Step 1			
	P	ole Size: 4-inch Dia	meter Po	ole Shape: Round		
				Step	o 4	
Ste	ep 2	Step 3	Cohesio φ = 30° a	nless Soils nd c = 0 psf	Cohes ¢ = 12° an	ive Soils d c = 250 psf
Pole Height (ft)	Fixture Area (ft ²)	Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter (in)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.1	1.9
45	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.5	1.5
15	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.0	1.0
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.3	0.7
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.7	1.3
20	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.2	0.8
20	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.6	0.4
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	8.0	0.0
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.4	0.6
75	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	8.0	0.0
25	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
	8.0	8.0	5.0	3.0	= <i>9</i>	NA
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	8.0	0.0
20	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
50	6.0	9.0	5.1	2.9	1.1	NA
	8.0	10.5	5.4	2.6		NA

Notes:

1. A 6-foot (total height) LPB may be used in lieu of the 8-foot LPB provided that the minimum bury depth is less than 6-feet. The resulting exposed height would then need to be adjusted accordingly.



Determining Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter and Embedment (8-foot LPB with 3-feet Exposed)

			Step 1			
	P	ole Size: 6-inch Diai	meter Po	ole Shape: Round		
				Step	o 4	
Ste	ep 2	Step 3	Cohesio φ = 30° a	nless Soils nd c = 0 psf	Cohes ¢ = 12° an	ive Soils d c = 250 psf
Pole Height (ft)	Fixture Area (ft ²)	Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter (in)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.3	1.7
15	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.8	1.2
15	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.2	0.8
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.5	0.5
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.0	1.0
20	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.5	0.5
20	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	8.0	0.0
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.8	0.2
25	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	9	NA
25	6.0	8.0	5.0	3.0		NA
	8.0	9.0	5.2	2.8		NA
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
20	4.0	9.0	5.1	2.9		NA
50	6.0	10.5	5.4	2.6	1	NA
	8.0	12.0	5.6	2.4	1	NA

Notes:

1. A 6-foot (total height) LPB may be used in lieu of the 8-foot LPB provided that the minimum bury depth is less than 6-feet. The resulting exposed height would then need to be adjusted accordingly.



Determining Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter and Embedment (8-foot LPB with 3-feet Exposed)

			Step 1			
	P	ole Size: 8-inch Dia	meter Po	ole Shape: Round		
				Step	o 4	
Ste	ep 2	Step 3	Cohesio φ = 30° a	nless Soils nd c = 0 psf	Cohes ¢ = 12° an	ive Soils d c = 250 psf
Pole Height (ft)	Fixture Area (ft ²)	Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter (in)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.3	1.7
15	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.7	1.3
	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.1	0.9
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.5	0.5
20	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.9	1.1
	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.4	0.6
	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.8	0.2
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.6	0.4
75	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
25	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
	8.0	9.0	5.1	2.9	= 9	NA
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
20	4.0	8.5	5.0	3.0		NA
50	6.0	10.5	5.3	2.7	- 1	NA
	8.0	12.0	5.5	2.5		NA

Notes:

1. A 6-foot (total height) LPB may be used in lieu of the 8-foot LPB provided that the minimum bury depth is less than 6-feet. The resulting exposed height would then need to be adjusted accordingly.



Determining Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter and Embedment (8-foot LPB with 3-feet Exposed)

Pole Size: 4-inch Width	Pole Shape: Square
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Step 2		Step 2 Step 3		Cohesionless Soils $\phi = 30^{\circ}$ and c = 0 psf		Cohesive Soils $\phi = 12^{\circ}$ and c = 250 psf	
Pole Height (ft)	Fixture Area (ft ²)	Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter (in)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)	
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.4	1.6	
15	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	6.8	1.2	
15	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.2	0.8	
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.5	0.5	
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.2	0.8	
20	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.6	0.4	
20	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	8.0	0.0	
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	NA		
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	8.0	0.0	
25	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA	
23	6.0	8.0	5.0	3.0	1	NA	
	8.0	9.5	5.2	2.8		NA	
	2.0	8.0	5.0	3.0		NA	
20	4.0	9.5	5.2	2.8	1	NA	
50	6.0	11.5	5.5	2.5	1	NA	
	8.0	12.5	5.7	2.3		NA	

Notes:

1. A 6-foot (total height) LPB may be used in lieu of the 8-foot LPB provided that the minimum bury depth is less than 6-feet. The resulting exposed height would then need to be adjusted accordingly.



Determining Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter and Embedment (8-foot LPB with 3-feet Exposed)

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Pole Size: 6-inch Width	Pole Shape: Square
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Step 2		Step 3	ϕ = 30° and c = 0 psf		φ = 12° and c = 250 psf	
Pole Height (ft)	Fixture Area (ft ²)	Minimum Bolt Circle Diameter (in)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)	Minimum Bury Depth (ft)	Resulting Exposed Height (ft)
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.0	1.0
15	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.3	0.7
	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.6	0.4
	8.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.9	0.1
	2.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	7.9	0.1
20	4.0	7.5	5.0	3.0		NA
20	6.0	7.5	5.0	3.0	1	NA
	8.0	8.0	5.1	2.9	NA	
-	2.0	8.0	5.0	3.0	8	NA
25	4.0	9.5	5.3	2.7	1	NA
23	6.0	10.5	5.5	2.5		NA
	8.0	12.0	5.6	2.4		NA
	2.0	11.0	5.6	2.4		NA
20	4.0	13.0	5.8	2.2	9	NA
50	6.0	NA	. — · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	NA	- 1	NA
_	8.0	NA	e	NA		NA

Notes:

1. A 6-foot (total height) LPB may be used in lieu of the 8-foot LPB provided that the minimum bury depth is less than 6-feet. The resulting exposed height would then need to be adjusted accordingly.

Product Drawings





Appendix A



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January 8, 2018

Project B1711078

ReCon Wall Systems, Inc. 7600 West 27th St. #229 St. Louis Park, MN 55426

Re: Universal Precast Light Pole Foundation Testing

This report is a summary of load testing performed on ReCon light pole foundations. The purpose of the testing was to verify the anchorage could withstand a test load of 18,500 lbf.

Test Samples

Four concrete samples were cast using forms provided by ReCon Wall Systems, Inc. Each of the samples was 24" in diameter and 18" in depth with a vertical 4" penetration at the center. The foundation contained 4 Dayton Superior anchors tied into the foundation using two #4 bar per anchor. Each anchor contains a single ¾" threaded tee nut to accept threaded rod. All reinforcing steel was ASTM A615 grade 60. Figure 1 below Shows the reinforcing and anchor layouts.

Figure 1: Reinforcing Layout



#6 Vertical Rebar (x4) #3 Stirrups (9" on cent.) #4 Bar (2 per anchor) Tee Nut Anchors (x4)

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Concrete Mix Design and Strength Verification

The concrete mixture used for this project was selected based on its ability to reach approximately 5,000 psi within 7 days of age. Upon delivery, an ASTM C494, Type A water reducing admixture was added to the mixture to produce a 5 inch slump. The mixture was produced with the following components shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Concrete Mix Design

Material	Quantity	
Cement – ASTM C150 Type I	470 lb./γd ³	
Faulkstone 3/4"- Gravel	1550 lb./yd ³	
UMore Sand	1630 lb./yd ³	
Water	259 lb./yd³	
ASTM C260 Air Entraining Admixture	3.6 oz./yd ³	

In addition to the light pole foundation samples, compressive strength cylinders were also cast. Cylinders were cast, cured, and tested in accordance with ASTM C192, "Standard Practice for Making and Curing Concrete Test Specimens in the Laboratory" and ASTM C39, "Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Cylindrical Concrete Specimens". After 3 days of curing compressive strength cylinders were tested daily until the desired strength was reached. A set of 3 cylinders was broken on the day of the foundation testing and the results are shown in Table 2 below and attached to this report.

Table 2: Concrete Compressive Strength Results

Cylinder Specimen Age (days)	Compressive Strength (psi)	Average Compressive Strength (psi)			
7	4,600	4,680			
7	4,640				
7	4,800				

Load Test Procedure

Two to four anchors in each foundation were load tested in tension. The samples were restrained by placing them in a load frame with two I-Beams bearing on the top face. The load was applied to a single Dayton Superior $\frac{\pi}{16}$ tee nut inserted into the channel using a calibrated hydraulic ram. The general test setup is shown in figure 3 below.





Load tests were performed with the threaded rod located either 3 ¾, 5″, or 7″ from the center of the foundation. These locations were selected to cover the full range of bolt circle diameters allowed by Recon Wall Systems, Inc. A test load of 18,500 lbf was applied during each test and any visible cracks that appeared prior to that load were noted.



Test Results.

The test results are shown in table 3 below.

Table 3: Load Test Results

		7.5″ E	Bolt Spacing		
Test Number	Foundation Number	Load Applied (lbf)	Load at First Crack (lbf)	Test Result	
1	1	18,500	NA	Pass	
2	1	18,500	NA	Pass	
3	2	18,500	NA	Pass	
4	2	18,500	NA	Pass	
L		10″ B	olt Spacing		
Test Number	Foundation Number	Load Applied (lbf)	Load at First Crack (lbf)	Test Result	
1	3	18,500	NA	Pass	
2	3	18,500	17,900	Pass	
3	4	18,500	NA	Pass	
4	4	18,500	17,550	Pass	
	-	14" B	olt Spacing		
Test Number	Foundation Number	Load Applied (lbf)	Load at First Crack (lbf)	Test Result	
1	1	18,500	16,900	Pass	
2	2	18,500	NA	Pass	
3	2	18,500	16,250	Pass	
4	3	18,500	17,500	Pass	

All of the cracks occurring prior to reaching the test load appeared in a typical fashion. A vertical crack would start at the outside of the anchor and extend to the edge of the foundation and down the outside



face to the approximate elevation of the first stirrup. The crack would then extend radially at around the circumference of the sample. An example of the cracks noted is shown in figure 4 below. **Figure 4: Typical Cracking Pattern**



General

In performing its services, Braun Intertec used that degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised under similar circumstances by reputable members of its profession currently practicing in the same locality. No warranty, express or implied, is made.

It has been a pleasure providing these testing services for you. If you have any questions regarding this report, please call Erik Knudson at 952.995.2384.

Sincerely,

BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION

Erik J. Knudson Material Testing Technician

Attachments: Concrete Compressive Strength Report



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	Lab	Test Resu	lts					
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Appendix B



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January 22, 2018

Project B1709706

Michael Klotthor, PE ReCon Wall Systems, Inc. 7600 West 27th St., #229 St. Louis Park, MN 55426

Re: Peer Review ReCon UniBase

Dear Mr. Klotthor:

This letter is to document our involvement completing a peer review of the proposed ReCon UniBase.

Background

ReCon Wall Systems, Inc. (ReCon) has developed a prefabricated, pole base system. The prefabricated foundation element consists of formed-cast concrete piers with embedded anchor locations. The prefabricated pier is then placed at a designated location and the new pole can then be attached to the pier using the embedded anchor points. The precast ReCon UniBase system is designed to accept a determined and specified range of pole heights with specified size range of attached luminaries to the pole.

ReCon has prepared calculations and a narrative description of the design process of the ReCon UniBase system that will be published as part of their product literature. Braun Intertec Corporation has been retained to complete an independent-party peer review of the documents and calculations.

Scope of Work

The following comprised Braun Intertec's scope of work:

- Review of documents provided by ReCon that include the narrative description of the design
 process and the calculations completed for the design. Edits and comments were provided
 accordingly and the calculations were reviewed for general accordance with standard practices
 and comment and questioned as needed. We did not complete separate or independent
 calculations as part of this review.
- Upon review and general agreement with the process, and correction of any items noted upon completion of the review, a statement letter that acknowledges that we (Braun Intertec) have reviewed the documents and calculations and are in general agreement with the process and calculations performed, will be provided.

WAJEND:

Discussion

As of January 17, 2018, Braun Intertec has reviewed material provided that includes the following:

- ReCon Unibase Design Approach Document
- ReCon UniBase Design Tables
- ReCon UniBase Calculations Excel Spreadsheet File
- Foundation Test with Dayton Inserts Report performed by Braun Intertec and dated January 8, 2018 (Project Number B1711078)

Based on our review and comments and responses received, we are in general agreement with the process and analysis performed for the design of the ReCon UniBase System. It is our opinion that the test method used for the "Foundation Test with Dayton Inserts" was an appropriate test method for the anticipated use of the light pole base. It is also our opinion that given the results of the testing, the nominal capacity of the anchors embedded in the concrete base determined by ReCon is appropriate.

General

In performing its services, Braun Intertec used that degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised under similar circumstances by reputable members of its profession currently practicing in the same locality. No warranty, express or implied, is made.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION

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Final design and construction, for a specific application of an LPB, are the sole responsibility of the user. Anyone making use of this manual and its calculations does so at his or her own risk and assumes any and all liability resulting from such use.

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